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OF WORKING GROUP (02.02-10)

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1. ON AUGUST 23 EMBASSY RECEIVED LETTER (DATED
AUGUST 1) FROM SOVIET LEADER OF SUBJECT PROJECT,
V. P. LOZANSKIY, TO HIS US COUNTERPART WALTER GROZYK.
INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS PARA 3 BELOW.
ORIGINAL POUCHED TO EPA FOR SHOSTAL, REGISTRY NO.
2404896.

2. ON AUGUST 29 EMBOFF CONTACTED KAZAKOV, WHO
AGREED TO PROVIDE COMPOSITION OF SOVIET DELEGATION
ASAP.

3. DEAR DR. GROZYK:

THANK YOU FOR THE LETTER OF JULY 14, 1978 WHICH I
HAVE CAREFULLY STUDIED. YOUR PROPOSAL TO CHANGE
THE DATES FOR THE VISIT TO THE US OF THE SOVIET
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SPECIALISTS ON THEME 02.02.11, TO PERIOD SEPTEMBER 17
THROUGH OCTOBER 8 IS ACCEPTABLE TO US.

AT THE SAME TIME, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT ALTHOUGH THE
DISCUSSIONS OF THE RESULTS OF THE JOINT WORK ON
SUBJECT 02.02-11 WILL BE COMPLETED IN OCTOBER, THAT
IS, AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE 6TH SESSION OF THE

WORKING GROUP, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO INCLUDE IN THE
PROTOCOL OF THIS SESSION A POINT ABOUT THE PROPOSED
RESULTS OF THE SPECIALISTS OF THE US AND USSR ON
THIS SUBJECT WHICH WILL BE ACHIEVED BY THE 8TH OF
OCTOBER 1978.

YOUR IMPRESSION, THAT A MAJOR PART OF THE QUESTIONS WE
SENT TO THE AMERICAN SIDE ONLY CONCERN THE CONNECTICUT
RIVER BASIN, IS NOT QUITE CORRECT.

UNDOUBTEDLY, SUCCESSFUL WORK ON THIS THEME REQUIRES
AT PRESENT THE MOST COMPLETE INFORMATION POSSIBLE ON THE
CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN. HOWEVER, IT IS MY OPINION
THAT FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION ON THEME
02.02-11 AS A WHOLE, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO REVIEW, IF
POSSIBLE, THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS AT DIFFERENT
LEVELS (FEDERAL, STATE, MUNICIPAL) FOR OTHER RIVER
BASINS ON THE QUESTIONS RAISED BY US.

SOVIET SPECIALISTS WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF
DURING THEIR FORTHCOMING VISIT IN THE USA
THEY COULD FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH CONCRETE EXAMPLES
OF PREVENTION OF WATER POLLUTION WHICH IN AMERICAN
SPECIALISTS' OPINION ARE THE MOST SUCCESSFUL AND
ARE CONDUCTED WITH THE USE OF UP-TO-DATE METHODS
AND HIGH TECHNOLOGY.
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ON OUR PART WE SHALL DO OUR BEST TO BRING TO THE
USA ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WE HAVE ABOUT THE SEVERNIIY
DONETS RIVER BASIN.

SINCERELY, V. LOZANSKIY. GARRISON

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